

but a knife, he resolves to go to that part of the rock where he was shipwrecked, to see if he could discover any thing among the wreck that might be serviceable to him; and coming to the place, waded in but could find nothing.

Thus despairing, fretting, and teizing himself, he calls to mind, that he had a hatchet in his hand when he was cast away, and thought probably it might lie in that cleft of the rock into which he was thrown. Thither he went, and to his great joy, discovered the handle of it just above the surface of the water.

Having got his tool, he dresses himself, and goes on to the island again, intending to cut down some trees to make himself a hut: Looking about, therefore for the properest plants, and taking notice of a sort of trees, whose branches, bending to the ground, took root, and became a plant, he thought they might be the fittest for this purpose, and cut a sufficient parcel of them to make his barrack, which was full business for him that day.

The next morning he walks out again to look a pleasant and convenient place to make his hut on: He walked several hours, and could find none more sheltered from the cold winds than

than that where he already lay in the middle of the island, well sheltered by trees, which stood very thick. Being fixed upon, he cut down the trees that grew in the way, and cleared the ground about twelve feet square. One tree standing at each corner, he made the young plants he provided to fill the distance between, quiting them about six inches asunder, to make a vacancy for the door; his end made, he bends the branches on both sides, and weaves them together, making a cover to it; something too thin, he laid over, till they were grown together, finishing the top, he goes to the sides, for which purpose, the branches, he strips them of the leaves, and weaves them between the sides, made a door after the same manner. After fifteen days hard labour, he finished his barrack.

As he was walking one day to find a sort of high grass, but here and there, round some sort of trees, of which he never saw before; accordingly resolves to cut a great quantity of it to make m